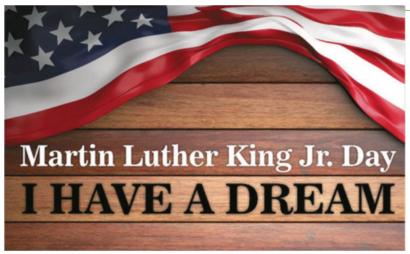


JANUARY 16, 2022

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



January 17, 2022



One Last Look at the Christmas Story

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Eucharistic Celebration

Reconciliation: Before Sunday Mass or by appt.

Marriages: Arrangements made at the Parish House at least 6 months prior to the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: Contact the Parish House.

First Communion, First Reconciliation: Contact the

Parish House.

Anointing of the sick and Hospital Visits: Contact the Parish House.

Funerals: All arrangements must be made at the Parish House before publication in Newspapers.

Registration: Everyone should be properly registered in the Parish. New parishioners should contact the Parish House. Those moving in or out of the Parish are asked to notify the Parish House.

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Markings
...Questions,
Quotations and
Exclamations from
the Pastor

As we have crossed the threshold of a new year, we once again observe a national holiday dedicated to the memory of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and to his legacy of civil rights for people of color in this land. This year, Dr. King's daughter Bernice, who is also an ordained minister and a civil rights activist, has spoken about the issue of critical race theory and how the controversy over CRT has become a distraction from the real issue confronting our society, which is racism.

Bernice King's comments caused me to ask myself whether or not I understand what is actually meant by the term "Critical Race Theory." I have to admit, I am not completely clear. I know that it involves a revisiting of our cultural narrative regarding the past as it pertains to people of color. I believe that CRT seeks to find and to tell the truth about the contributions that were made, the challenges that were faced, and the atrocities that were suffered by black people in this country in the past especially those that have been until now hidden, sugar coated, or ignored. In short, CRT seems to me to be about telling the truth about American History as it involves persons other than white European immigrants and their descendants. But I don't know if I have it right.

The reason for my confusion is that there has been so much misinformation spread about CRT. There have been so many different descriptions of CRT floated by people motivated by a variety of agendas that when you hear others speak about CRT you can never be certain what they mean by the term.

In large part, this is because truth has ceased to be the goal for many in our society today. Facts seem to matter far less than the preferred fictions of many people today. If the truth is inconvenient, or if it demands a re-evaluation of ones understanding of the world, then it is denied, twisted, or ignored. "Don't confuse me with facts" has become a common sentiment.

Jesus says in the Gospel of John that the reason he came into the world was to testify to the truth, and that anyone committed to the truth hears his voice. But even the words and deeds of Jesus have been twisted or reinterpreted over the centuries in order to prevent some people from having to abandon the comfort of a self-serving existence by facing the truth. Christians are called to face the truth, and to pursue it in love no matter what the cost might be.

Let us hope that 2022 can be the year that all of us become more committed to seeking the truth with a sincere heart. It is only when we tell the truth about our past and our present that we can build a better future – for everyone.

MASS INTENTIONS JAN 16—23, 2022

Sunday	10 am	Barbara Raskoph
Wednesday	11:30 am	Fr Paul Marshall SM
Sunday	10 am	Margaret Ponivkar

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Ronald Redmon		
Toni E Payne		
Henrietta Broadus		
Barbara Williams		
Paulette Jones		
Keli Harland		
Jermaine Harland		

Sterling Uitenham Marlene Jones Michelle Triska Miles Frierson John Berry Dorene Gantt James Harland

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Mary Ann Melton August & Jackie Reese Donna Beard Evelyn Davis Rosemary McKeon Colleen Holt Ruby Gibson Margaret Atwell Kevin Strickland Leanna Wysinger Letcher Epps Vyrdye Hopes

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday	Jan 16	10 AM Mass
Monday	Jan 17	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday	Jan 18	NO COMMUNITY MEAL
Wednesday	Jan 19	11:30 AM MASS
Thursday	Jan 20	6:30 PM Scripture Study in Guild Room
Friday	Jan 21	
Saturday	Jan 22	
Sunday	Jan 23	10 AM Mass

Diocesan Mass for MLK Jr. Day

A Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at 10:00 AM on Monday, January 17. All are welcome to participate.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. national holiday and will reopen on Tuesday morning, January 18.

Catholic Cemeteries Grief Support

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings in-person in six of our offices and virtually: For details, go to https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx. For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

Jobs Available

The Cleveland Municipal Court is looking for people to hire for full-time jobs with excellent benefits. Specifically, they are looking to fill openings for the position of Chief Deputy Clerk for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd shifts (mornings, afternoons, and overnight). Hard working people with a high school diploma or GED, basic computer skills, and who have been vaccinated and can pass a drug screening, physical exam, and a background check can apply by sending a resume to riveram@cmcoh.org or by faxing a resume to 216-664-2526.

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SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5 God's love transforms us from "Forsaken" to "My Delight".2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 God is the

origin of all spiritual gifts and graces.

Gospel Reading: John 2:1-12 Jesus performs his frst miracle atg the wedding feast in Cana.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

Mon Jan 17 1 Samuel 15:16-23; Mark 2:18-22 Tues Jan 18 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Mark 2:22-28 Wed Jan 19 1 Samuel 17:32-33,37,40-51; Mark 3:1-6

Thurs Jan 20 1 Samuel 18:6-9,19:1-7; Mark 3:7-12 Fri Jan 21 1 Samuel 24:3-21; Mark 3:13-19 Sat Jan 22 2 Samuel 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Mark 3:20-21

Sun Jan 23 Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:412-30; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

SCHOOL NEWS

Last week was high school selection week for our eight graders. We are pleased to share that many of them applied to these Catholic high schools—Beaumont, Benedictine, St. Edward, St. Martin de Porres, and Villa Angela— St. Joseph. They will learn their admission status in early February. Go Tigers.

Synodal Listening Sessions

Our Committee on the Synodal Process will conduct another Listening Session via Zoom on Saturday morning, January 22. To participate in the Zoom session, be sure to sign up on the list near the doors of church today.

Food Pantry News

Our Tuesday Community Meal will resume on Tuesday, January 25 as a take-out meal. Our monthly grocery distribution will take place on Saturday, January 22, from 9 to 11 AM.

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